

Vile: Zog

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2. Tirana Press Gloats over Zog's Discomfiture. Radio Tirana said on November 9 that the Tirana press is commenting widely on the recent measures taken by the Egyptian Government against exiling Zog. For instance, said the broadcast, Zeri i Popullit stated that Zog's "frauds" are nothing new to the Albanian people, who know him as a "bandit, an adventurer, a traitor." Bashkimi stated that "Zog, an individual without principles or morals," has had as his sole aim his own enrichment and that of the "clique" surrounding him. As a leader of Albanian "traitors and criminals" abroad, the paper continued, he and his followers constitute reserves for the American-British espionage, and it is not accidental that their next place of residence will be the US, stated Bashkimi.

The decision of the Egyptian Government to move against Zog has furnished the Albanian Communist press good material in its propaganda against Zog and the Albanian emigration in general. The charges brought against him by Egypt are probably damaging his prestige both at home and among the political refugee groups abroad.

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